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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Use of Intelligence for Public Diplomacy

1. Ed Meese has asked the PFIAB to look into the use of intelligence for public diplomacy. Leo Cherne has been tasked to undertake this. It will involve a look at dissemination policy across the board to determine how and where more intelligence can be put out, how the process of sanitization can be used, weighing security risks against the need to bring the public and the Congress along on national security policies, etc.

2. In discussions with Leo Cherne and Secretary Shultz, Shultz expressed the concern that he gets a lot of intelligence reporting which is not much more than what he reads in the newspapers and that his receipt of this as intelligence places some constraint on what he can say publicly. It is clear that intelligence reporting has to be put in the current context, which would be pretty much what one would read in the newspapers. I think we should give some thought to how it can be done without putting a classified label on regularly available information.

3. I'd like your thoughts on how we would handle this and how deeply it should or would take us into a reevaluation of the whole classification system.

  
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